

Chronic Wasting Disease Data Clearinghouse

User Profile

By providing the following information, WDIN (Wildlife Disease Information Node) can more quickly set up and customize user accounts for your institution in time for the fall hunting season. For questions and comments please contact Megan Hines or Cris Marsh.

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1. List the events that initiate the collection of cervid information (e.g. deer road kill, 2005-2006 bow hunting season, observation of disease suspect, agent kill of a disease suspect and so on).
2. What geographical level will animal location information be collected (e.g. county, lat/long, game management unit and so on)?
3. List the laboratories used for diagnostic testing.
4. List the institution's known chronic wasting disease partners (i.e. which agencies or organizations will have permission rights to the data?) Also, describe the approved level of data access (e.g. only summary data, only the location of negative tests, and so on). A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or other agreements between cooperating institutions will be requested.
5. If used, list the check-in stations for deer processing as referenced by hunters and agents.
6. Describe the kind of reports your institution needs. What kind of information or data elements need to be searchable and how should the outputs report appear (e.g. generate a report sorting all positive deer by sex, age, and species for a specific hunting season at the country level)?
7. List the procedural steps for processing CWD samples. Description should include detailed information as to the kinds of data collected and how it is collected during the entire process beginning at a deer kill and ending with receiving CWD test results, e.g. how is hunter information recorded; who takes location information; how are the deer assigned unique identification #; how are samples collected and labeled; how are samples delivered to the lab; what test information is recorded and so on. The details provided will help us understand how you are planning on using the system and how best to customize it to meet your institution's data entry needs.
8. List the name of people who will be entering data for your state or agency.